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Applicants: Worley, et al. Art Unit: 1646  
Application No.: 09/245,277 Examiner: Chernyshev, O.  
Filed: February 5, 1999  
Title: IMMEDIATE EARLY GENES AND METHODS OF USE THEREFOR

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for taking further action based on the Office Action mailed January 17, 2002.

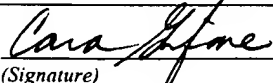
The requested extension is for five (5) months, extending the period for response to July 17, 2002.

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A check for the total sum of \$980.00 is enclosed for the Five-Month Extension of Time fee. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1355 for any other fees or credits believed to be due. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 16, 2002



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